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Title: ANTIBODY FRAGMENT-POLYMER CONJUGATES AND
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Advisory Action mailed on November 29, 2002 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following remarks.

In the Claims:

✓ Please cancel claims 2-4, 8, 9, 13, 15, 16, 18, 20-26, 28, and 30-34, without prejudice.

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (Three-times amended) A conjugate consisting essentially of an antibody fragment covalently modified by one or two nonproteinaceous polymer molecules at a free sulfhydryl group of a cysteine residue within the hinge region of the antibody fragment, wherein